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SENATE BILL 381

**44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,  
2000**

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE ACEQUIA PARCIANTE CLAIMS  
PILOT PROJECT FOR WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--Sixty thousand dollars  
(\$60,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the local  
government division of the department of finance and  
administration for expenditure in fiscal year 2001 to  
establish a pilot project for negotiating acequia parciante  
errors and omissions claims in five water right adjudications  
pending in the United States district court for the district  
of New Mexico. The adjudications involve the Rio Santa Cruz,  
Rio Truchas, Rio Chama, Rio Pueblo de Taos, Rio Hondo, Jemez  
river and Red river. No part of the appropriation contained  
in this section may be expended by community acequias or

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1 their members to retain attorneys to represent community  
2 acequias or individual acequia members in any judicial  
3 proceeding involving an individual member's water rights  
4 claim. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at  
5 the end of fiscal year 2001 shall revert to the general fund.  
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